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RE: with respect to comments received by the CEC on "Assessment of Avian Mortality from Collisions and Electrocutions", CEC-700-2005-015, by Melinda Dorn.

Dear CEC,

I have been studying the biology of the California condor for almost 30 years.

During the 1980s, when the Condor Research Center presided over the California Condor Recovery Program, there were many attempts to built wind farms along the flyways traversed by the condors. Some places under consideration were Sierra Pelona, Bald Mountain and the Gorman Ridge.

In order to combat the building of dangerous machines along those ridges, our Habitat Specialist compiled a file on the deaths of golden eagles, and birds of many other species, due to collisions with wind turbines.

As an interested conservationist, I have been alerted to the fact that the wind farms industry is attempting to exclude the wind energy/avian issues sections (Chapter 1) from the CEC's proceedings on this topic.

You must stand behind your staff's scientific expertise and include this topic in your report.

Thank you, Janet A. Hamber 4236 Encore Dr. Santa Barbara, CA 93110

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